

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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CENTRAL SOCIAL SECURITY SCHEME FOR AGRICULTURAL WORKERS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to bring a Central Social Security Scheme for Agricultural Workers in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) to (c): The Government of India has launched, with effect from 1st July, 2001, a Social Security Scheme namely Krishi Shramik Samajik Suraksha Yojana – 2001 in selected 50 districts in the country. The scheme intends to cover 10 lakh agricultural workers over a span of three years in these selected districts. The beneficiary has to contribute Re.1 per day or Rs.365 per annum and government contribution is Rs.2 per day or Rs.730/- per annum per beneficiary. The benefits under the scheme include life- cum-accident insurance, money back, pension and superannuation benefits etc. Over one lakh agricultural workers have been covered under the scheme by 31st March, 2002.